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Applicant(s): Patricio Abarzúa  
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Docket No.: 469290-55

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated 29 September 2003, Applicant submits the following:

1. Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111;
2. Request for 1 month extension of time to respond under 37 C.F.R 1.136(a);
3. Check for \$55.00 (for 1 month extension of time for a small entity); and
4. Self-addressed, Postage-paid, Return Postcard.

No additional fee is believed due in filing this Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is requested to charge any additional fees, or credit any refunds, to Deposit Acc't No. 03-0678.

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